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#### 2004 CALENDAR LEGEND

ACTMI - Advisory Committee on Transit for the Mobility Impaired - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE, 764-8932

ADC - Albuquerque Development Commission - Hearing Room, Basement Level, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW

AQCB - Air Quality Control Board, Council Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall

BOA - Board of Appeals, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second St. NW

City Council - Council/Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall

District 4 Coalition - Cherry Hills Library, 6901 Barstow NE

District 6 Coalition - Cesar Chavez Community Center, 7505 Kathryn SE

District 7 Coalition - Grant Middle School, 1111 Easterday NE

District 8 Coalition - James Joseph Dwyer Memorial Substation, 12700 Montgomery NE

DRB -Development Review Board, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second Street NW, Basement Level

EPC - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second St. NW, Basement Level

EPC Pre-Hearing - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol Building, 600 Second St. NW, Third Fl. Conf. Room

GABAC - Greater Albuquerque Bicycling Advisory Committee, City Hall, Room 302, 768-2680

GARTC - Greater Albuquerque Recreational Trails Committee - Locations vary, call 768-5308 for information

GWPB - Ground Water Protection Board - Room 302 City/County Building, 400 Marquette NW

LEPC - Local Emergency Planning Committee - Albuquerque Fire Headquarters, 11510 Sunset Gardens SW, 833-7300

LUCC - Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second St. NW, Basement Level

North Valley Coalition - Los Griegos Multi-Service Center, 1231 Candelaria NW, Carmen Marrone, 924-3814

POC - Police Oversight Commission, City/County Building, Lower Level, 1 Civic Plaza, 5th and Marquette

SWAN - South West Alliance of Neighborhoods, Alamosa Multi-Service Center, 6900 Gonzales SW

TAB - Transit Advisory Board - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE, 764-6121

Westside Coalition - LBJ Middle School, 6811 Taylor Ranch Dr. NW

ZHE - Zoning Hearing Examiner, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second St. NW

March/April 2004 - GOV 16				City/County Video Bulletin on Air before and after Regular Programing		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8 a.m County Commission or Current Events and Features	City Council LIVE, 1st and 3rd Mondays at 5 p.m.	5 p.m County Commission LIVE on the second Tuesday	6 a.m. & Noon - County Commission (Replay of Tuesday or Current Events and Features)	8 a.m. & Noon - City Council Replays or Current Events and Features	6 a.m. & Noon - County Commission or Police Oversight Commission Replayed or Current Events and Features	8 a.m City Council Replayed or Current Events and Features
6 p.m Current Events and Features	City Council is replayed the day after at 6 a.m. and Noon; the following Thursday at 6 a.m., Noon and 10 p.m. and Saturday at 8 a.m.	BCC Zoning LIVE on the Fourth Tuesday Beginning at 4:30 p.m.	6 p.m GOV Program Guide 6:30 p.m. or Current Events and Features	6 p.m GOV Program Guide 6:30 pm - Current Events and Features		6 p.m ABQ Museum presents Lo Maduro de la Cultura
		County Meetings are Replayed the day after at 6 a.m. and Noon the following Friday at 6 a.m., Noon and 10 p.m. and Sunday at 8 a.m.	10 p.m Metro Road Report	10 p.m City Council Replayed or Special Events	10 p.m Meeting Replays or Special Events	

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#### **EPC Hearing Notice**

Publication of EPC hearing notices in the *Albuquerque Journal* will now occur on the **Wednesday - 22 days prior** to the public hearing on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month**. The hearing notice includes the time, place and date of the hearing along with a brief description of each application on the agenda. Previously, hearing notices were published 15 days before the public hearing. The reason for this change is to meet the advertising requirements for EPC study sessions which occur on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. Rather than advertising the hearing and study session separately, a single notice will be prepared to advertise both. Contact the Planning Department at **924-3860** if you have questions.

**Neighborhood Alert** – Be aware that public comments at EPC Meetings have a time limitation due to the length of the EPC Hearings. Call Don Newton at **924-3906** if you have questions. **48-Hour Rule of the EPC:** All written materials and other documents shall be submitted to the Planning Dept. no later than **9 a.m.** on the **Tuesday** of the Public Hearing week. For an Appeal Hearing – no communication with EPC is allowed within five days of the Public Hearing.

#### In order to make maximum use of the following information please note:

- Scan the entire list to see if your neighborhood association has a case this month.
- The name and phone number of the developer/agent is listed so that you can easily contact them should you have any questions.
- The assigned staff planner is identified with each agenda item should you need additional information (i.e., check on the actual placement of your case on the agenda). All staff may be reached at **924-3860**.
- On the day of the Hearing, call Planning at **924-3860** and the receptionist will give you the status of the Hearing.
- Staff reports are available at the Planning Office beginning at 3 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the EPC Hearing.

On the 2nd Thursday of each month, the EPC has a Study Session to review the applications scheduled for the all-day public hearing which occurs on the 3rd Thursday of each month. As with the Public Hearing, the public is invited to attend the Study Sessions; however, Study Sessions do not provide an open forum. Discussion is limited to staff and the EPC. Study Sessions regularly begin at 4 p.m. in the Plaza del Sol Hearing Room. But, please call the Planning Department at 924-3860 to confirm the Study Session schedule as adjustments are made occasionally.

Please note that the **Pre-Hearing Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, March 24, 2004** at **1:30 p.m.** in the Planning Conference Room, Third Floor. The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **Thursday, April 15, 2004** at **8:30 a.m.** in the Hearing Room for the following cases:

#### Citywide

All Associations; 04EPC-00287, project # 1001620; The City of Albuquerque Planning Department, agent for the City of Albuquerque City Council; Requests a Zone Code amendment to provide for restrictions on the height of outside museum exhibits; Jon Messier at 924-3888.

All Associations; 04EPC-00288, project # 1001620; The City of Albuquerque Planning Department, agent for the City of Albuquerque City Council; Requests a Zone Code amendment to provide for restrictions on Adult Entertainment; Juanita Vigil at 924-3349.

#### Northeast

Alameda North Valley, Northeast Valley, North Edith Commercial Corridor (neighborhood association); 04EPC-00255 & 00257, Project # 1003126 (case #'s); Approximately 7 acre located on the west side of Edith NE, north of Osuna NE; (location of request); E-15 (zone atlas page #); Advanced Engineering at 899-5570, agent for Scott Hauquitz (applicant or agency and phone #) Requests approvals of Site Development Plans for Subdivision Purposes and for Building Permit on land zoned SU-1 for IP Uses (action requested); Debbie Stover at 924-3940. (city staff planner).

North Albuquerque Acres; 04EPC-00290 & 00291, Project # 1003277; Approximately 3 acres located on the south side of Holly NE, west of Holbrook NE; C-20; Jeff Mortensen at 345-4250, agent for Hoech Realty; Requests approvals of Site Development Plans for Subdivision Purposes and for Building Permit on land zoned SU-1 for Mixed Uses; Carmen Marrone at 924-3814.

#### Northwest

**Vista Grande, West Bluff; 04EPC-03220, Project # 1000107;** Approximately 3 acres located on the south side of Sequoia NW, east of Coors NW; G-11; Inner City Development Corp. at **254-1599**, agent for Desert Hills Treatment Center; Requests approval of an amended Site Development Plan for Building Permit on land zoned SU-1 for PRD Uses; Makita Hill at **924-3879**.

**Paradise Hills, Piedras Marcadas, Richland Hills; 04EPC-00250, Project # 1003187;** Approximately 2 acres located at the southeast corner of Golf Course Road NW and Marna Lynn NW, C-12; ABQ. Engineering at **255-7802**, agent for Ameri Contractors; Requests a Zone Map amendment from R-1 to R-LT; Makita Hill at **924-3879**.

**Paradise Hills, Taylor Ranch; 04EPC-00275 &00286, Project # 1003272;** Approximately 2 acres located west of Eagle Ranch Road NW, between Paseo del Norte and All Saints Road NW; C-13; Lee Gamelsky at **842-8865**, agent for Academy properties; Requests approvals of Site Development Plans for Subdivision Purposes and for Building permit on land zoned SU-1 PDA to include C-3 Uses; Juanita Vigil at **924-3349**.

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#### Northwest, Con't

Ladera West, Laurelwood, Parkway; 04EPC-00280 & 00281, Project # 1003274; Approximately 4 acres located at the northeast corner of Ladera Drive NW and Unser Blvd. NW; H-9; Community Sciences at 897-0000, agent for Westland Development; Request approval of a Zone Map amendment from RD to SU-1 for C-1 and O-1 plus an amendment to the East Atrisco Sector Development Plan; Carmen Marrone at 924-3814.

**Ladera West, Laurelwood, Parkway; 04EPC-00282 & 00283, Project # 1003275;** Approximately 21 acres located at the southeast corner of Unser NW and Ladera Drive NW; H-9; Community Sciences at **897-0000**, agent for Westland Development; Request approval of a Zone Map amendment from RD to SU-1 for C-1, O-1 and limited C-2 plus an amendment to the East Atrisco Sector Development Plan; Carmen Marrone at **924-3814**.

West Bluff, West Mesa, Vista Magnifica; 04EPC-00289 & 00304, Project # 1000831; Approximately 3 acres located on the east side of Atrisco NW, between Ouray NW and Interstate 40; H-11; George Rainhart at 884-9110, agent for Saylor Family Trust; Requests approvals of Site Development Plans for Subdivision Purposes and for Building Permit on land zoned SU-1 for IP; Deborah Stover at 924-3940.

**Vista Grande, Ladera Heights; 04EPC-00295, Project # 1000438;** Approximately 58 acres located at the northeast corner of Coors NW and St. Josephs NW; F-11; Claudio Vigil at **842-1113**, agent for Saint Pius High School; Requests approval of a Site Development Plans for Building Permit on land zoned SU-1 for PDA; Deborah Stover at **924-3940**.

No association; 04EPC-00299, Project # 1002962; Approximately 1 acre located south of Paseo del Norte and west of Rainbow NW; C-9; Denish + Kline at 842-6461; agent for The Trails LLC; Requests approval of a Site development Plan for Building Permit on land zoned R-D; Russell Brito at 924-3337.

#### Southeast

**No association; 04EPC-00293, Project # 1001067;** Approximately 3 acres located at the southwest corner of University SE and Woodward SE; M-15; Tafazzul Hussain at **315-1482**, agent for Aleem Kassam; Requests approval of a Site Development Plan for Building Permit on land zoned IP; Chris Hyer at **924-3927**.

Barelas, Broadway Central Corridors, Martineztown, Downtown, Huning Highland Historic, Huning Highland, Raynolds Addition, Santa Barbara-Martineztown, Downtown Action Team; 04EPC-00298, Project # 1003224; An area that is on the east side of Broadway from Coal SE to Central Ave. and along Central from Broadway to Locust SE; K-14; Denish + Kline at 842-6461, agent for Broadway Central Corridors Partnership; Requests approval of a text amendment to the Huning Highland Sector Development Plan: Creation of a Corridor Revitalization Zone; Mary Piscitelli at 924-3891.

Barelas, Broadway Central Corridors, Martineztown, Downtown, Huning Highland Historic, Huning Highland, Raynolds Addition, Santa Barbara-Martineztown, Downtown Action Team; 04EPC-00300, Project # 1003282; An area north of Coal SE and west of Broadway SE, K-14; Denish + Kline at 842-6461, agent for Broadway Central Corridors Partnership; Requests expanding the boundary of the Downtown 2010 Sector Development Plan and Establishing SU-3 zoning; Mary Piscitelli at 924-3891.

#### Southwest

**No Association; 04EPC-00039 & 00266, Project # 1003189;** Approximately 9 acres located on the southwest corner of Stinson SW and Eucariz SW; L-10; Rio Grande Engineering at **321-9099** agent for Albuquerque Excavators; Requests Annexation and a Zone Map amendment from A-1 to RD at 9 dwelling units per acre; Elvira Lopez at **924-3910**.

Westgate Heights; 04EPC-00040 & 00268, Project # 1003190; Approximately 20 acres located on the east side of Unser SW between Sage SW and Tower SW; L10; Rio Grande Engineering at 321-9099; Requests Annexation and Establishment of O-1 and C-1 zoning; Elvira Lopez at 924-3910.

**No associstion; 04EPC-00151 & 00152, Project # 1003237;** Approximately 5 acres located on the south side of Tower Road SW, west of 86<sup>th</sup> Street SW; L-9; Consensus Planning at **764-9801**; agent for T.S. McNaney; Requests a Zone Map amendment from RD/R-1 to RD 9 dwelling units per acre plus an amendment to the Tower/Unser Sector Development Plan; Elvira Lopez at **924-3910**.

Route 66 West, Westgate Heights, Westgate Vecinos; 04EPC-00153 & 00154, Project # 1001249; Approximately 11 acres located on the southwest corner of Snow Heights SW and De Vargas SW; M-9; Tierra West at 858-3100, agent for Snow Vista Investors; Requests approvals of Site Development Plans for Subdivision Purposes and for Building Permit on land zoned C-1 (Shopping Center); Juanita Vigil at 924-3349.

**INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES** who need special assistance to participate at this hearing should contact the Planning Department at **924-3860** (VOICE) or TTY users may access the voice number via the New Mexico Relay Network by calling **1-800-659-8331**.

## CITY SCOOP

## **News From City Departments**



#### **Metro Court**

#### Bernalillo County Misdemeanor Offenders Performed Over \$800,000 In Community Service Last Year

Offenders convicted of misdemeanor charges in the Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court are often ordered to perform community service as a part of their sentences. They are also given the opportunity to do community service as an alternative to paying fines and fees.

"Judges impose community service as a way of making restitution to the community," states Judge Loretta Lopez. "Where there isn't a specific victim, the offender has either harmed the community or put it at risk by their crime. Community services is one way they can contribute to others."

Community service ranges from a few hours to as many as the Judge imposes depending on the seriousness of the offense. In some cases, like DWI, a minimum number of hours are set by law.

Marc H. Saavedra, Court Administrator, reported "On a case by case basis it may not sound like much, but it adds up. Last year 8,500 people were referred to do community service. Over 158,600 hours of service were performed." The Court values community service at the prevailing Federal minimum wage of \$5.15 an hour. "Even at that undervalued rate it added up to almost \$817,000 in services to the community this past year."

"Sometimes we're able to match where the community service is performed with the offense, like having a DWI offender do work for Mothers Against Drunk Driving," comments Judge Cristina Jaramillo. "This makes it more meaningful and has an added benefit for the offender and the community." The D.W.I./Drug Court, of which Judge Jaramillo is one of three judges, has each participant perform thirty hours of community service. Last year that was over 9,000 hours performed at several different agencies.

Community service is coordinated by the Educational Services Division of the Court. State law provides that the service must be "labor that benefits the public at large or any public, charitable or educational entity or institution." The division's director, Margaret Dieppa, says that about half of the service was performed directly with the City agencies in weed and litter activities. The remaining half, almost 80,000 hours last year, was performed at about a hundred different community or other non-profit agencies.

Chief Judge Judith Nakamura stated that aside from the effect on the individual offender this is a considerable contribution to the City and County. "It was the same as having an additional eighty full-time employees providing valuable services to the community last year."

#### **About The Court**

The State of New Mexico Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court is the busiest court in the State handling over fifty percent of the State's cases. Approximately four thousand people conduct business at the court daily. The Court has sixteen Judges, thirteen criminal and three civil divisions, who preside over misdemeanor, civil cases where the amount in question is \$10,000 or less, and felony first appearances. The Court employs a staff of two hundred and eighty-eight. Contact Information Jim Kidd, Deputy Court Administrator - 505-841-8102.

#### **Emergency Services**

#### What Do I Do During A Disaster? Part 2

If all the electrical and power systems are off, should you turn off the main service to you house? Pilot lights will have to be restored and you don't want the gas coming back on while you are away! If this is a major power failure, there could be low voltage or voltage spikes as it is restored. This can cause damage to sensitive electronics, so maybe you should take control when and how to restore those systems.

Pets. All of us who have had pets know they are very much part of our lives. In a disaster we have to plan for them also. The American Red Cross or another agency may be running the shelter won't allow house pets into the shelter unless they are "assistance animals." Remember, not all dogs, cats, hamsters, etc., mix well together. While a limited number of small animal shelters may be close to you large animals like horses and cattle, also need

There several excellent publications to read. The Salvation Army publishes a "Home Safety Emergency Plan." The American Red Cross has publications on planning kits for a disaster. The government has <www.ready.gov> that is devoted almost entirely on planning kits for the family, for a specific disaster and for being prepared. The Albuquerque/ Bernalillo County Local Emergency Planning Committee has distributed a very useful "Disaster Wheel." These have been distributed to several neighborhood organizations and the Albuquerque Police Crime Prevention Bureau. The Fire Marshal's Office can be important source for home fire prevention. Remember to listen to your children - who probably learned, "Stop, Drop and Roll" in kindergarten, or demanded that you do a home fire plan. Call your Police Area Command and ask to speak to their crime prevention specialist and they can tailor a presentation to get your block organized or attend you next neighborhood meeting. Talk to your neighbors and see if they are ready for a disaster. Agree on whose phone should be used to call for help. Get your neighborhood/neighborhood association involved.

Be Prepared!

#### **CITY SCOOP continued**



#### **APD Crime Prevention**

Submitted By Steve Sink

#### AUTO THEFT PREVENTION

Auto theft is a problem for all Americans, but the citizens of New Mexico face a particular issue that affects our auto theft rate. Due to the fact that we are adjacent to an International Border, we are always ranked high on the list for theft rates. Typically, vehicles are stolen for one of three reasons. They are used to joy ride, sell for parts, or driven across the border for resale. However, you can take a variety of steps to insure that you are not a victim of auto theft. Observe the following tips to reduce the chances of your vehicle from being stolen.

- •Always roll up your windows, lock the doors, and take the key even if you will be away for a short time.
- •Never leave your car running in front of a convenient store or other public area, including in front of your house. Warming up your car in the morning during the winter can make you more vulnerable.
- •Park your vehicle in a garage (if possible) or in an area with adequate lighting and good natural surveillance.
- •If you put your vehicle in for repairs or in a commercial lot, only leave the ignition key.
- •Keep valuables in the trunk or out of site. Don't give a car thief a reason to break in.
- •Purchase stereos, cellular phones, and other electronic equipment that can be removed.

Theft Prevention Device: After years of false alarms, people have stopped paying attention to alarms. Any serious anti-theft device must do more than just make noise. If you want an audio alarm; use it in conjunction with other forms of prevention:

- •A <u>kill switch</u> is a simple toggle device that shuts off the engine's ignition system.
- •<u>Steering wheel locks</u> are visible from outside the car and prevent the steering wheel from being turned more than a few

degrees.

- •Collars are devices that prevent the steering column from being stripped.
- •Brake locks prevent the brake from being engaged and therefore the transmission cannot be removed from the park position.
- Wheel locks prevent the vehicle from being moved in any direction.
- •Etching vehicle parts with your VIN number can also be a deterrent. Professional thieves shy away from vehicles that have had the vehicle identification number (VIN) etched into the doors, windows, windshield, engine block, and other parts.

More than 2/3 of all auto thefts take place at night, and over half occur in residential areas including apartment complexes. Statistically, most cars are stolen between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. There is a program in New Mexico that will help you retrieve your car if it is stolen. The New Mexico State Police has developed a program called Watch Your Car. Once registered, the program allows any enforcement personnel to pull over a vehicle with the appropriate sticker between those hours to verify ownership. It also allows them to stop the vehicle if it approaches an international border 24 hours a day. If you are interested in finding out more about the program, contact your local NM State Police office for further details.

The goal in preventing auto theft is to establish multiple layers of protection for you vehicle. Thieves are looking for the least path of resistance. Although no method is foolproof, consider where you park, theft prevention devices, and etching. However, spending money on anti-theft devices does not help if drivers don't follow the basic precaution of locking their cars, taking the key, and activating the anti-theft device. For more information on this subject, contact APD Crime Prevention at **924-3600**.



#### Public Works

Water Resources Division

#### Don't "set it and forget it!"

Xeriscaping can be low maintenance; however achieving the most from a xeriscape still involves some time. Many people install a xeriscape "set it and forget it." Pruning, fertilizing and the proper amount of water are vital for a successful xeriscape.

After hours of planning, selecting just the right plants, amending the soil, installing a well designed drip system, putting down a good weed barrier, and applying plenty of mulch, many people



think their xeriscape is finished. The first year, plants are small and need extra water to establish and grow. The second year, the plants start filling out and blooming nicely. The third year, people and wildlife are enjoying the fruits of your labor. By the fourth year some plants are almost dead and others are looking shabby. What went wrong? Perhaps you were overwatering your xeriscape. After planting a new xeriscape extra water is needed establish the plants. After the first year or two most plants only need occasional watering. The amount of water applied should change monthly and take into account temperature and natural precipitation. Too much water will kill some xeriscape plants while others will become straggly or overgrown. Some xeriscape plants require pruning to maintain their best appearance and many need some fertilizer to keep healthy and blooming. When planning your xeriscape, gather plant care information and set up a maintenance schedule. Be sure to periodically clean the filters and emitters to ensure proper water flow. With a small amount of maintenance and water, your xeriscape will bring you year round beauty with little effort while protecting our water for generations to come.

#### **CITY SCOOP continued**

#### **Public Works**

Water Resources Division

Earn Up to \$10,000 for a Park in Your Neighborhood by Joining this Summer's Neighborhood Challenge

#### It saves water and it's easy!

There are two ways to participate:

- 1) Sign up residents to pledge to change a certain square footage of their high water use turf to xeriscape during the contest period of May through October 2004. At the end of the contest period, the neighborhood association that has had the greatest participation in the City's Xeriscape Program gets \$10,000.
- 2) Register residents to participate in Water Limbo How Low Can You Go? Each month the percentage reduction of each group will be tracked and compared to their water usage for the same time period last year. There will be two opportunities to win this contest. Each month the group with the greatest reduction will receive \$1 \* the number of participants \* the percentage reduction up to a maximum of \$2,000. At the end of the contest, the neighborhood association with the greatest percentage reduction for the 12 month period will receive \$10,000. In order to win the overall contest, the neighborhood association group must have achieved a savings of at least 10%.

All funds from the program must be used for installation of xeriscape or hardscape (courts, playground equipment, etc) at a neighborhood park unless an alternative beneficial use is approved by the City of Albuquerque in writing.

The City will provide the forms to sign up residents for both programs and track everyone's participation. All you have to do is sign people up, remind everyone to reduce their use and collect the money.

Call 768-3633 for more program details

#### 2003 Water Quality Report

The Water Utility is proud that for over 30 years our drinking water has met every state and federal drinking water quality standard. We know the quality of your drinking water is important to you and we take water quality regulations very seriously. We want our customers to have accurate information about the quality of their drinking water.

On March 31, water customers will begin receiving the Water Quality Report for 2003 in the mail. We are pleased to comply with drinking water regulations by bringing you the report. This report provides customers with important information about the source of our water supply, details on the quality of water delivered to our customers, and the drinking water project designed to meet the challenges of the future: a safe and sustainable water supply. Most of the content of the report, the language in it, and the format for reporting compliance monitoring results are required by law. We believe the information in this report provides a valuable service to our customers. We urge customers to take a few minutes to review the report.

This report, in Spanish and English versions, can be downloaded from the web at www.cabq.gov/waterquality. More information on water quality specific to each distribution zone is also available at our web site.

If you have questions or comments, please call the Water Quality Information Line at 857-8260 or send e-mail to waterquality@cabq.gov. If you are hearing impaired, please call **857-8206**.

We welcome your interest in Albuquerque's water supply!

#### **Public Works**

Wastewater Utilities Division



#### Dental Offices Work With The City To Reduce Waste

Dental offices are small, and you may not think there is much wastes generated from these dental offices, but wastes such as silver, lead, amalgam, etc., make dental offices Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generators (CESQG) of hazardous wastes. Municipalities across the country are concerned about hazardous metals being discharged to the wastewater collection system from dental offices.

In Albuquerque, the Albuquerque District Dental Society (ADDS) has taken a proactive approach to addressing wastes generated from dental offices since 1995. The ADDS helped the City of Albuquerque to develop best management practices for dental offices in 1995. The Pollution Prevention Guidelines for Dental Offices gives dental offices deadlines for properly managing and reducing wastes.

In addition, the City of Albuquerque, conducts routine testing of wastewater discharged from dental offices. The results of the testing are shared directly with dental offices.

ADDS is currently educating their members about using amalgam separators in their offices. The p2 Program in conjunction with WERC a Consortium for Environmental Education and Technology Development has a program in place for dental offices interested in using an amalgam separator. Offices can borrow an amalgam separator purchased with money from an EPA grant if they agree to allow the City to collect samples to determine the efficiency of the amalgam separators. The p2 Program looks forward to continuing the cooperative environmental effort with the ADDS, and commends the ADDS for their efforts.

#### **CITY SCOOP** continued

# LET'S MAKE OUR PLACE A NO-ZONE FOR OZONE



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Leaky gas caps lose fuel and money. These vapors react with other pollutants in the sunlight to form ground-level ozone which pollutes our air! Gas caps may leak if they are old, broken or not designed specifically for your vehicle. If you are unsure about your gas cap, take your vehicle to the Vehicle Pollution Management Division (VMPD) Headquarters at 1500 Broadway Blvd. NE for a free quick checkup.



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Las tapas del gas con fuga de gasolina también pierden dinero. ¡Los vapores se combinan con otros contaminantes y el sol para formar ozono a nivel del suelo! Las tapas del gas pueden causar fugas cuando están viejas o rotas, o no diseñadas específicamente para su vehículo. Si tiene preguntas sobre la condición de su tapa de gas, lleve su vehículo para un examen gratis a la Sede de la División de Administración de la Contaminación del Vehículo (VPMD) al la 1500 Broadway Blvd. NE.









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Call 764-1110 ASSOCIATION for more information.

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